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How Ozzy's daughter learned the facts of life



Luke ditched by women's network

SUSPICION She was dropped by the Conservative Party and a local charity.

Now, it looks like Rosamond Luke has lost yet another position.

The Halifax Women's Network says it can no longer support Luke as its incoming president.

Police are currently investigating "accounting irregularities" worth thousands of dollars at AWEDA, Luke's former employer.

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Waterfront Showcasing culture



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Pasamay Doucette takes part in the Mi'kmaq Cultural Showcase on the Halifax waterfront on Tuesday. The showcase continues today at 11 a.m. with the Mi'kmaq Treaty Day ceremonies.

Harper speech stolen: Adviser

POLITICS A senior Conservative policy adviser has quit amid revelations by the Liberals that a major 2003 speech by Conservative leader Stephen Harper on the Iraq war copied almost word-for-word a speech by Australian Prime Minister John Howard.

The resignation came hours after the Tories downplayed the allegation as cheap "gotcha politics" on the eve of the French debate, "irrelevant" to the election at hand.

Owen Lippert, a campaign worker in Conserva-

tive party headquarters, admitted the speech was ripped off. Lippert, an experienced foreign policy researcher with expertise in intellectual property, quit the campaign and distanced Harper from the act of plagiarism.

"Pressed for time, I was overzealous in copying segments of another world leader's speech," said Lippert in a release.

"Neither my superiors in the Office of the Leader of the Opposition nor the Leader of the Opposition was aware that I had done

"I was overzealous in copying segments of another world leader's speech."

Owen Lippert

so. ... I apologize to all involved and have resigned my position from the Conservative campaign."

Harper was not available to answer any questions.

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Cellphone too smart to be real

Campaign targets N.S. expats

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What does a make believe java-brewing, leg-shaving cellphone have to do with Nova Scotia? It's apparently all in the Pomegranate.

Yesterday, the Nova Scotia government launched a new \$300,000 viral marketing campaign aimed at changing tech-savvy expats' perceptions about their home province.

Launched on the Net and the streets of Boston, Ottawa, Toronto and Calgary yesterday, the promotion is about a new, made-up fructiferous phone: The Pomegranate. It mocks the latest all-in-one smart phone gadgetry with abilities to brew coffee, shave your legs, double as a harmonica and do power point presentations and GPS navigation.

What does this all have to do with Nova Scotia?

"People are entertained and they want to find out who's behind this," said Stacey Jones-Oxner, Nova Scotia Come to Life spokeswoman.

When viewers decide they're finished explor-

This fictional smart phone claims it can brew your coffee and shave your legs, but it's really part of a campaign to make people think fondly about Nova Scotia.

ing, they find a plethora of people championing the glories and success stories of Nova Scotia.

And the pomegranate? The trendy fruit touted for its health benefits makes the ad almost seem believable and hooks people in, says Jones-Oxner.

"The message is 'Well right now you can't get everything you want, like a shaver, in a smart phone, but you can get everything you want in one place and that place is Nova Scotia,'" she says.

"We want to get business people and others looking at us as a place to invest, work, live and do business."

Jones-Oxner says the tool won't keep track of who comes back, but will give people information about Nova Scotia so they can make informed decisions.

To check out the campaign, visit www.pomegranatephone.com.



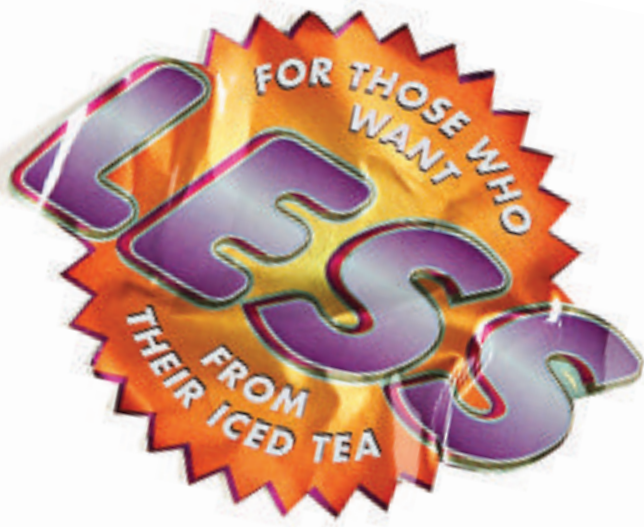
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Local



Keeping kids car safe

Is your child safe in the car? Research by IWK trauma head Dr. Natalie Yanchar suggests 50 per cent of children were not in booster seats when they should have been. For more information, visit www.childsafetylink.ca.

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Council votes to defer decision on heritage property development

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Both sides embroiled in a dispute to redevelop a block of heritage properties downtown Halifax are trying to reconcile.

At the request of Armour Group, council voted unanimously yesterday to defer a decision on the developer's proposed Waterside Centre for three weeks.

Armour Group wants the extra time to meet with the Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia and negotiate its project that would join existing buildings at the corner of Duke, Hollis and Lower Water streets with a six-storey glass tower atop.

In a letter sent to the mayor and councilors last week, Armour Group chairman Ben McCrea suggested he's flexible about changing the glass exterior and height of the controversial building.

"There appears to be concern by some that the glass exterior is not Halifax," McCrea wrote.

"If it is the wish of council, we are fully prepared to build Waterside Centre with a brick exterior



The proposed Waterside Centre on Upper Water Street has caused heated debate at council.

cladding similar to Founders Square."

Citing significant apprehension, McCrea said if council approved the proposal, he would consider reducing the building height

by one or two storeys if they could agree on a level of financial support. He said the economic feasibility for the building is "very thin" and the only public money in the 35 history of the Historic

"There appears to be concern by some that the glass exterior is not Halifax."

Ben McCrea, Armour Group chairman

Properties has come from the federal government.

But McCrea said, after two and a half years of working with city staff on the proposal, he's not willing to start over. If council doesn't approve the proposal, that's the end of it.

District 14 Coun. Dawn Sloane says she will wait to hear whether a compromise can be reached.

"I hate to see us compromise heritage as it is, but at this point in time I think we're up to seeing what can come out of these conversations," she said.

In August, the Heritage Trust launched a postcard campaign criticizing the proposal. Armour Group fired back with a letter to councilors and the mayor accusing the Trust of spreading misinformation. Since then, more than 60 people have weighed in during a public hearing.

News in brief

ECONOMY Numbers released by Statistics Canada showed real gross domestic product increased 0.7 per cent in July after advancing 0.1 per cent in June and retreating 0.1 per cent in May. The energy sector, which has been trending down during the last four quarters, accounted for almost half of the July increase. Manufacturing and wholesaling industries also contributed significantly to the advance. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Vote early, vote often?

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Some voters have been getting double copies of e-voting personal identification numbers in the mail. That could allow them to vote twice in the upcoming municipal election.

Under 20 per cent of the 280,000 registered voters were listed twice on the voters' list when the city sent out the PIN numbers for electronic voting, says Cathy Mellett, who's leading the city's first foray into Internet voting.

About 400 people contacted the city to say they'd moved after the PINs were sent out, so PINs were sent to their old addresses as well as the new. Mellett says the city has disabled the old PINs for people it knows have moved or otherwise

double-counted.

Mellett says voters are required to enter their birthdate when they vote, so this should prevent fraudsters from stealing any unclaimed login numbers.

She estimates only one per cent of the 280,000 registered voters have more than one valid e-voting login.

So what could stop you from voting early and often? If your conscience doesn't, the minimum \$5,000 fine should, says Mellett.

"It is illegal to vote twice in Nova Scotia," Mellett told Metro News.

She said the city will work to identify anyone who tries to vote a second time with a de-activated login code.

"The voting public has a keen interest in making sure the process is fair. We have a pretty honest electorate."



Cathy Mellett, the project director of e-voting for HRM, holds an e-voting card.

E-voting begins Oct. 4 at 8 a.m., and continues until 8 p.m. Oct. 6. Mellett isn't sure how many people will vote online, but thinks it could be up to 26 per cent of voters. In the last municipal election, 13 per cent of voters cast their ballots in advance polls.

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NDP tables energy rebate

FINANCE The NDP will table a petition of over 9,000 signatures later this month against the Nova Scotia government and its decision to scrap an energy rebate for electricity that isn't used for heat.

NDP leader Darrell Dexter said yesterday the hike, equivalent to the eight per cent portion of the HST, is hurting the pocketbook of families and should be removed.

The petition, made up of signatures from residents across the province, will be tabled on Oct. 30 when the Nova Scotia legislature resumes sitting.

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News in brief

ACCIDENT A man who was helping someone pull a wharf out of a lake in Dartmouth Monday night ended up in hospital. The victim and someone in a vehicle were trying to pull the wharf out of the water on the back of the vehicle. A car driving down Oakdale Crescent hit the rope, breaking it, and then hitting the victim in the leg. His injuries were not life-threatening. **METRO HALIFAX**

Province likely to feel the effects from U.S. financial crisis, prof says

JON TATTIE
for Metro Halifax



When the American elephant runs into money problems, you can bet your loonies Nova Scotians will feel the pinch.

"If the North American economy moves into a recession, Nova Scotia can't hope to escape it," says Lars Osberg, chairman of the economics department at Dalhousie University.

The main problem for Nova Scotians is markets that rely on Americans buying our stuff, like lumber and tourism.

Canada as a whole is better positioned than the U.S. We have too much consumer and mortgage debt, but nothing like the "subprime" mortgage markets in America. That means home foreclosures are less likely here.

"We didn't have the same expansion of home ownership, so we don't have the same contrac-



Lars Osberg, chairman of the economics department at Dalhousie University, says the East Coast will follow U.S. financial footsteps.

"The problem is that when each individual tries to save, that's what pushes the economy ... into recession."

Lars Osberg, Dalhousie economics professor

tion," Osberg explains, adding banks actually don't like to foreclose, as it costs them money.

But projects like the proposed redevelopment of the O'Carroll's/Sweet Basil complex into a nine-storey office building are at risk.

"That was aimed at a hypothesis of a shortage of Grade A office space downtown," Osberg says.

"It was going to be rent-

ed to the expanding financial-services sector and there was a lot of talk about high-paid, financial-services jobs coming to Halifax.

"Well, those are exactly the sort of jobs that are disappearing. When these firms amalgamate and lay off thousands of workers, those laid-off workers don't need offices anymore," he said.

This will happen across North America. He predicts the downtown project will stall and end up an empty lot, with no tenants to move in or banks willing to loan money.

Asked what Halifaxians can do to best protect themselves, he offers advice that only works if most of us ignore it: save your money.

"The problem is that when each individual tries to save, that's what pushes the economy as a whole into recession."

He says to hang on to your dollars and hope your neighbour spends.

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Roundtable on violence finally on, but some want more than just talk

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Months after it first came to light, the Mayor's Roundtable on violence saw some action yesterday.

The report's author, Donald Clairmont, discussed his findings and went through some of the 64 recommendations to curb violence in the HRM at the Committee of the Whole meeting yesterday.

But several councillors were aggravated it took four months after the report was released for there to be any movement on it.

"Another study isn't going to help us," said Downtown Coun. Dawn Sloane. "Let's get going on this."

Council voted to send the report to staff to draw up a plan for action. It will be back before council probably in December.

"I thought we were already there. Where's the plan?" asked Preston-Lawrencetown-Chezzetcook Coun. David Hendsbee.

Mayor Peter Kelly said this is the first time the

roundtable results have appeared in council and staff need the direction from council before any action can be taken. He quelled some fears that the report would just be shelved.

"This document will not lie dormant," he said.

"Another study isn't going to help us. Let's get going."

Coun. Dawn Sloane

It took 13 months of surveys, meetings and focus group sessions to figure out exactly what is causing crime in the HRM and how to fix it, explained Clairmont.

"One in 60 available adults in HRM participated in this roundtable," Clairmont said. "People claim, and they're right, there is a problem with violence in the HRM."

He found that many people are afraid and believe crime is more prevalent than it is. Clairmont said that crime has actually gone down since 2004, but the

public fear has increased.

Federal funds for crime prevention are aimed at pre-teens, but that's too young, he said. Rather, it's young adults who are causing the largest part of violence.

"There's nothing for them so they're out on the streets washing our cars," he said.

Also, young black people are over represented in prisons and 10 per cent of all black youth are under the justice system.

"That is not acceptable," he said. "We can't walk away from this, we can't bury it, we have to do something about this."

Clairmont recommended working more closely with leaders in the black community. His other recommendations included hiring a full-time safety coordinator and advisory committee, reconstructing the municipality's race relations committee and installing 10 community safety officers.

"We do need to strengthen the capacity for the municipality to deal with violence and public safety."

News in brief

BUS GARAGE Regional council approved the site for a new satellite Metro Transit bus

garage to be built in Ragged Lake Business Park yesterday, as part of the city's five-year

transit plan. The garage will house 25 new buses next year.

LINDSAY JONES/METRO HALIFAX

Public information session on Western Shore Bedford Basin planning study

Bedfordites take note: There's a public information session on the Western Shore Bedford Basin planning study tonight. It's set for 7 p.m. at St. Peter's Anglican Church Hall on Dakin Street in Halifax. **METRO HALIFAX**

Launching 'a call to action'

Older and wiser activist still dreams of ending poverty

DEVIN STEVENS
for Metro Halifax

Craig Kielburger walks into the room apologizing for being late — which he isn't. He's been on a conference call, planning his hosting gig on CBC's national radio show, The Current, on Friday.

The 25-year-old founder and chair of Free the Children apologizes four or five more times before the interview is over. But he has some legitimate excuses — he's very a busy young man, after all.

"We're launching a message, a call to action," he said about his trip to the Maritimes.

"We're looking to build more on the East Coast."

He's already done some notable building throughout the world. Founded in 1995 by Kielburger and his Grade 7 classmates, Free the Children now has a network of "children helping children" that is one million members strong.



Activist Craig Kielburger speaks with Metro about the Free the Children program and his visit to Halifax yesterday.

The charity can be found in 45 countries.

The group has built 500 schools, provided roughly

500,000 people with health care, and given clean water to 140,000.

For his efforts, Kielburg-

er has been featured on Oprah and 60 Minutes. He's also written a few books in his spare time.

Again, he's only 25.

"The core of the message is: How do we make changes in our daily lives that have a profoundly impactful shift in this world?" Kielburger said.

He'll take to the stage tonight at the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium, and having grown up in the spotlight, Kielburger is a polished speaker.

He leans forward and talks with his hands. He looks you in the eye like a politician, but actually gets excited and animated about his subject matter.

"When we were 12 and we used to talk about ending poverty in this world, they said we were young and dreamers, naive and idealistic," Kielburger said.

"We used to respond by saying, 'Yeah, we are' ... People no longer toss those same words at us, but we're still as idealistic as ever."

Council approves \$4M for last winter's cleanup

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Not long before the snow is about to fly again, the city is dishing out an extra \$4.4 million to pay for last year's cleanup.

At a Committee of the Whole meeting yesterday, council approved moving money from two reserves to pay for the extra snow and ice cleanup required last winter.

Fairview-Clayton Park Coun. Russell Walker said he hoped this was a "one-time deal and not the norm."

There were 74 per cent more storms last winter than in the previous year,

and they went 60 per cent over budget, said Mike Labrecque, director of transportation and public works.

He said the city had 280 centimetres of snow last winter, compared to 90 centimetres the year before.

Rather than predicting the number of events, he said, they're going to start figuring out the cost per kilometre, per route and per event.

Making sure some routes aren't over-serviced and managing the salt should save them between 10 to 15 per cent.

Last winter's budget for snow and ice removal, as well as lower-priority winter work, was \$13.5 million. This winter the budget will be \$14.6 million.

The street-clearing contracts are up for renewal next year and Labrecque said they'll look at bringing some operations back in house.

Street-cleaning contracts may be performance-based like the current sidewalk contracts. This means the contractors will be more accountable for damages.

Last winter

- Major snowfalls (over 15 cm): 8
- Average snowfalls (five to 15 cm): 13
- Minor snowfalls (one to five cm): 12
- Freezing rain events: 8
- Salting events (frost, blowing snow, etc.): 43

Reach potential voters before age 18: Kielburger

DEVIN STEVENS
for Metro Halifax

Craig Kielburger says if you want more young people to vote, you have to get them involved before they turn 18.

"You need to start at the youngest of ages," he said.

"It doesn't magically start at 18. We need to start by teaching people they vote every day."

The chair and founder of Free the Children said young people have to understand every decision they make affects the world.

He said youth need to re-

alize that even the smallest choices matter, right down to whether they wear fair-trade clothing or not.

The man who has helped thousands of children across the world, and has thousands of high school students and recent graduates volunteering for him, says schools have to do

more.

Youth need to be aware of global issues and start volunteering. They need to see the afflicted in their community and realize they can change things.

"They need to know why they're voting. Why? Because it makes a difference."

Amherst budget results 'positive'

FINANCE Amherst politicians say the town is in fine financial footing despite a number of budgetary pressures, including a one-time grant to the Cumberland YMCA and the awarding of approximately \$1.1 million in pension money to members of its police union.

The audited financial statements show the town finished the 2007-08 fiscal year with a surplus of \$23,709. That included putting about \$400,000 into reserves. The town saved about \$226,000 in salaries and benefits while things like professional fees, streetlights and insurance were less expensive than budgeted.

"Our financial results for the last year are very positive," CAO Greg Herrett said following the September council meeting.

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Healthy People, Healthy Communities

News in brief

COURT A North River woman has been sentenced to house arrest and fined \$86,025 for possessing illegal cigarettes. Margaret Rose Turner, 51, of 677 Old Tatamagouche Rd.,

was sentenced yesterday in provincial court after pleading guilty to possessing cigarettes without the prescribed markings and on which tax had not been paid. **METRO HALIFAX**

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World Breastfeeding Week starts today, and they're celebrating at the IWK Health Centre with a breast-shaped cake. Capital Health is encouraging moms and babies to take part in a global breastfeeding challenge on Oct. 11 in Dartmouth. **METRO HALIFAX**

Grits unveil regional plan

Liberals hope to boost education, medicine and sports funding

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The Atlantic Liberal caucus unveiled their plan for the region yesterday, promising buckets of cash for medical training, sports facilities, farmers and students.

Despite stagnant national poll numbers, Halifax West MP Geoff Regan said the platform will bring the Liberals back to power.

He's pinning much of his hopes on the upcoming leadership debates, even though Stéphane Dion wasn't on hand yesterday.

"The debates are always a crucial moment in a campaign," Regan said. "And I think Mr. Dion will perform exceptionally well."

"This will make education more affordable for those who need it the most, and for all Canadians."

Dartmouth-Cole Harbour MP Mike Savage

"The poll that counts is the one on election day. That's the one I'm looking forward to."

On the education front, the Liberals are pledging 300,000 more bursaries and a student loan interest rate set at a half-point above prime.

They plan to extend the payback grace period from six months to two years — interest free.

The Liberals will also guarantee a \$5,000 loan for every student in the country, regardless of income.

"This will make education more affordable for those who need it the most, and for all Canadians," Dartmouth-Cole Harbour MP Mike Savage said.

Kelly Wilson, executive

director of the Alliance of Nova Scotia Student Associations, says the education portion of the platform is one of the best the group has seen this election.

"We have some concerns over the specific issues Nova Scotia faces," she said.

Education money is currently dished out to the provinces on a per-capita basis.

Wilson said 25 per cent of college and university students come from out of province, but they don't bring that federal funding with them.

"As a result, we sort of have a funding discrepancy," Wilson said, noting the Liberals have expressed interest in working for a solution.



Dartmouth-Cole Harbour MP Mike Savage, left, looks on as Halifax West MP Geoff Regan lays out the Atlantic Liberal caucus' plan for the region yesterday.

Moose plan 'by the people' nearly done

MEMBERTOU A Mi'kmaq moose management plan from the people and for the people is now being finalized by Nova Scotia's First Nations communities.

The proposed guidelines for the harvest have been in the works since the spring of 2006 and came closer to implementation following a 'gathering on moose' last week in Wagmatcook.

"We didn't sit down with lawyers and say 'let's write up these rules and impose them on our people,'" said Clifford Paul, moose management co-ordinator with the Unam'ki Institute of Natural Resources. "What is going to come out of these discussions is a management plan that comes right from the grassroots people."

In Wagmatcook, delegates discussed four crucial issues: non-native accompaniment on the hunt; selling moose meat and products; the acceptance of a two-month no hunting season in the height of summer; and creation of hunter advisory groups to aid in the administration and education of community members.

Dan Christmas, a conference facilitator, said over the past 18 years treaty rights have allowed the Mi'kmaq the free liberty to hunt and fish.

However, some concerns with the moose herd in the Cape Breton Highlands during that time — including the possibility of over-harvesting — spurred guideline discussions.

"Fortunately, to this point the herd haven't suffered. That is not to say in the future, the herd will not change. It would be wise while the herd is good to develop some guidelines that everyone will respect and follow. We have to manage the herd in such a way that, seven generations from now, people can enjoy the herd as we do today."

THE CAPE BRETON POST

Rave reviews for new school

SALMON RIVER Chelsea Woodworth's eyes grow big when asked what she thinks of her new elementary school.

"The gym is a lot bigger than the other one," she said this week at Harmony Heights Elementary School. "There's more room for everybody to play."

Woodworth, a Grade 3 student from Truro, is one of 326 students who attends the new facility.

The school hosted about 75 people this week for the official opening ceremony.

The school opened in September, bringing together students from Alice Street and Salmon River elementary schools.

Principal Wanda Vautour said it has been a relatively smooth transition, even through a hectic move of items from the former schools.

"It's one great big, huge move, like you moved your house 10 times," she explained.

Vautour touted the large

gym and cafeteria, beautiful bright classrooms and hallways and great technology.

"The whole school is beautiful ... It's just the whole package," she said. "The staff feels like it's Christmas every day."

Parents are also pleased with the state-of-the-art facility.

"I love it. I can't get over the technology they have in it," said Bonnie Walsh, who has two children Liam (Grade 4) and Bailey (Grade 1) attending the school. "I am really impressed."

Keith MacKenzie, the area's school board member, was a student in 1953 when Salmon River Elementary School opened its doors.

"To be here 55 years later and see this magnificent new building is, indeed, thrilling to me," he said.

"When the other Salmon River school opened, we didn't have such a thing as a gym, we didn't have such a thing as a cafeteria."

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"The whole school is beautiful ... It's just the whole package ... The staff feels like it's Christmas every day."

Wanda Vautour, principal

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ECONOMY In August, the price indexes for manufactured goods and raw materials declined 0.2 per cent and 7.7 per cent respectively from July. StatsCan says the strong decrease in prices for petroleum products brought to a halt the uninterrupted monthly growth observed since the end of 2007. The monthly decline of 0.2 per cent in the Industrial Product Price Index was largely attributable to a six per cent drop in prices for petroleum and coal products.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Make Your **Vote** Count!

The Halifax Regional Municipality will be holding Municipal and School Board elections in accordance with the Municipal Elections Act on the third Saturday of October **(October 18, 2008)**. The purpose of the election is to elect Mayor, Regional Councillors and School Board members.

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To find out if you're eligible to vote for the Halifax Regional School Board, The African Nova Scotian Member of the Regional School Board and the Conseil scolaire acadien provincial (CSAP) visit us at www.halifax.ca/election or contact the election office (see contact information below).

How do I know who is running for election?

All candidates must officially declare they are running for election by September 9, 2008. A list of officials and their contact information can be found by visiting the HRM website at www.halifax.ca/election or contact the election office (see contact information below).



How do I know where to vote?

Voters who have placed their name on the official elector list as of August 22, 2008 **will receive a Voter Notification Letter by mail during the last week of September**. This letter will provide information on your voting options, polling location and official PIN and instructions for e-voting.

Persons whose name does not appear on the official List of Electors will be required to appear in person to take an affidavit prior to voting.

All polling locations and dates can be found at www.halifax.ca/election.

How can I vote?

Internet or Phone

- Use your Personal Identification Number (PIN) with instructions provided on your **Voter Notification Letter** and vote anytime from Saturday, October 4 starting at 8:00 am until Monday, October 6 ending at 8:00 pm

Vote in Person

- Advance Polls – Saturday, October 11 and Tuesday, October 14 from 12:00 pm (noon) to 8:00 pm
- Election Day Polls – Saturday, October 18 from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm

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Linda Grant
Municipal Returning Officer

Police oversight "has hit rock bottom in Ontario" because of a watchdog agency that is timid, fearful and lacking in rigour, Ontario's ombudsman said yesterday as he introduced a report on Ontario's Special Investigations Unit. **SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE**

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Teen to get adult trial

A young man accused of dangerous driving causing a toddler's death outside Montreal will be judged as an adult, Quebec Superior Court ruled yesterday. The man, who turned 18 on the day of the accident, was originally to be tried as a youth according to a lower court ruling. His name is protected by a 31-day publication ban.

SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE

Registry lines jammed

Website crashes, switchboard overloads as Do Not Call List launches

Canada's widely anticipated do-not-call list was a victim of its own popularity when thousands rushed to sign up soon after it launched yesterday, crashing the registry website and clogging toll-free phone lines.

The system was so overwhelmed it crashed shortly after 9 a.m. and was available only sporadically for the rest of the day.

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission, the federal agency in charge of the list, said yesterday it would be working overnight to increase the system's capacity. There is no deadline to sign up for the service.

"We're victims of our

own success," said Denis Carmel, a spokesperson for the CRTC.

More than a million consumers had called one of two phone lines to try to register by early afternoon. At one point more than 40,000 callers were trying to get through "at the same instant,"

Carmel said. An unknown additional number tried to sign up online at the registry's website.

Just over 200,000 consumers had succeeded in getting on the list by 1:30 p.m., Carmel said. Most of them had signed up by 9 a.m., when the system became overwhelmed. Only a few

thousand were able to get through after that, he said.

The system is operated for the federal agency by Bell Canada.

"Immediate volumes were higher than anticipated, which impacted the registration website for several hours in the middle of the day. But with the addition of more bandwidth and other network resources, things are back on track."

Bell spokesperson Jacqueline Michelis said in a later afternoon interview yesterday, that "everything is working well now."

The CRTC is advising people to be patient and try again later.

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Voter cards sent to those who don't qualify

Election 2008

VOTE Allan Tomlinson came home from work to find three voter information cards on the kitchen table — one each for his

wife, his daughter and for him.

There's just one problem: Tomlinson is a landed immigrant and cannot legally cast a ballot in the Oct. 14 federal election.

His voter card, sent out

based on his presence on a list compiled via Canada Revenue Agency, provincial registrars and other entities, doesn't allow him to vote, it just tells him where and when to do so.

It's hard to know how

many non-qualifiers like Tomlinson have received voter cards, but 2006 census data said 1,468,325 non-citizens over the age of 18 were living in Canada.

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Housing market slowing, but not to crisis level: Economist

ECONOMY The Canadian housing sector is slowly edging towards a buyer's market, but there are no signs it will suffer a U.S.-style crisis, reports showed yesterday.

"Every dollar drop in the value of Canadian real estate elevates the level of anxiety about a U.S.-style housing meltdown in Canada," CIBC World Markets economist Benjamin Tal said in a report.

"To be sure, house prices in Canada will continue to ease in the coming months. But the triggers that led to a freefall in Canadian real estate markets in the early 1990s and today in the U.S. markets

are nowhere to be found," he wrote.

Tal said the overall picture of the national housing market is far from uniform. He pointed to Alberta's two main cities — Calgary and Edmonton — where homeowners had seen the value of their homes double "during the course of breakfast", thanks to the western province's oil and gas boom.

But these areas are now seeing close to 2.5 new house listings for every unit sold.

"The trigger for the current slowing in these markets is a sharp deterioration in affordability," Tal said.

REUTERS

Alberta Police recruitment



A city police officer posing as a criminal is attacked by service dog Jet during demonstrations yesterday for Edmonton post-secondary students. The day was part of a campaign to encourage Alberta's 18- to 30-year-olds to consider a career in policing.

News in brief

KHADR The Canadian Bar Association and more than a half-dozen other legal groups demanded yesterday that the Canadian government repatriate Omar Khadr, now awaiting trial at a U.S. military prison in Guantanamo Bay, CBC News Online reports.

CALGARY Alberta Health and Wellness is considering an alternative HPV vaccination program for students in the wake of Calgary's Catholic School Board's ban of the vaccine.

RADLER David Radler, the former president of Hollinger International and confidant of Conrad Black, has been transferred out of a U.S. prison back to Canada, according to authorities, CBC News Online

reports. Radler, who in February began serving his sentence for a mail fraud conviction at a Pennsylvania prison, was handed over to Canadian authorities on Sept. 18.

ONTARIO Premier Dalton McGuinty is getting slammed by his provincial opposition for saying that Ontario's lost manufacturing jobs "are not coming back."

MANITOBA A group of Grade 12 students at a Manitoba school has been suspended after a hazing incident at a school barbecue two weeks ago, CBC News Online reports. A group of Grade 10 boys were paddled by a group of six older students, school officials said.

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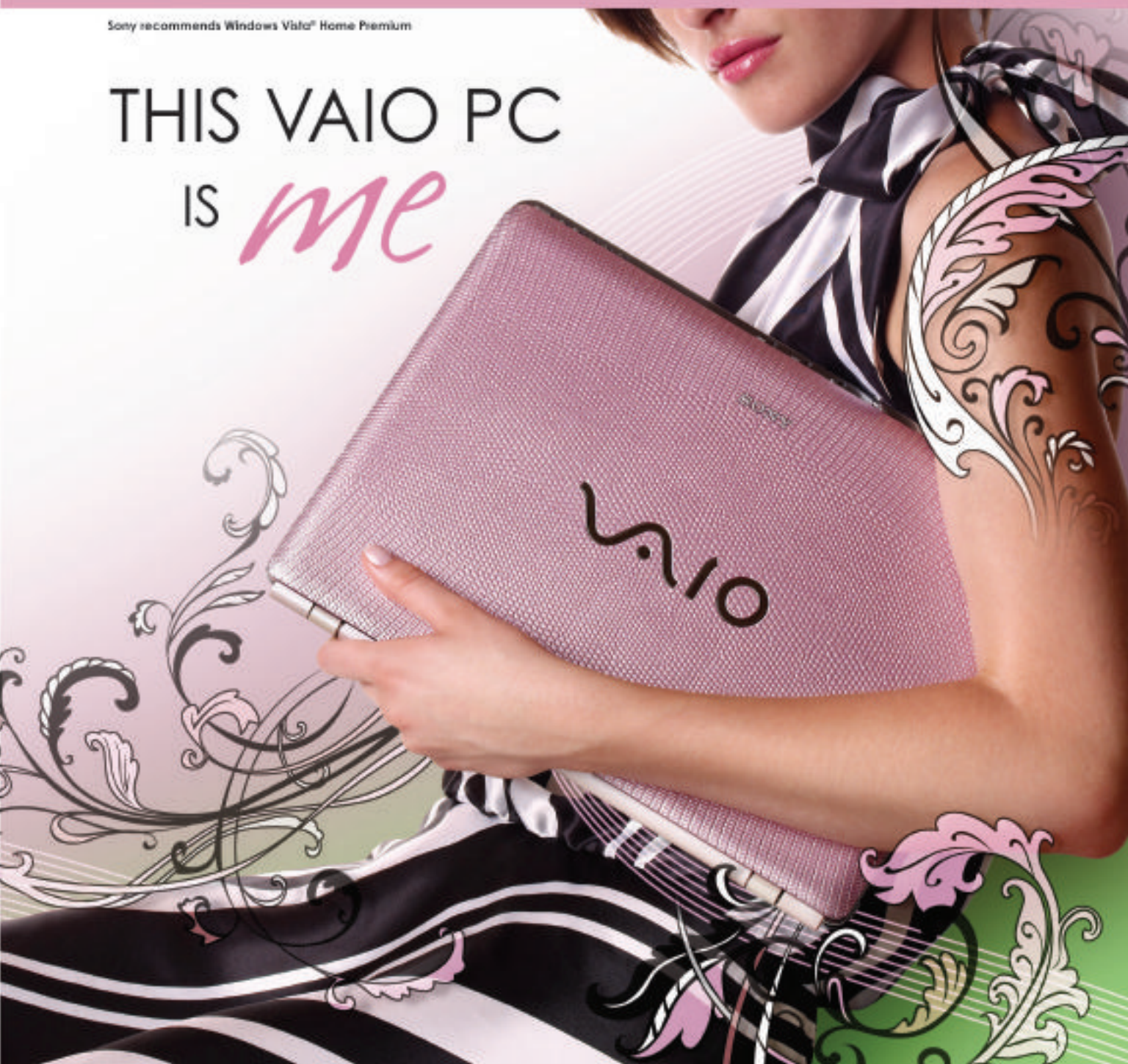


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Economy in the spotlight

New format for leaders' debates

The financial crisis in the United States has forced the economy to the forefront of Canada's televised leaders' debates.

Broadcast executives yesterday rewrote the format of tonight's French-language debate and tomorrow's English-language event to allow the five politicians more time to discuss the fallout from the financial storm that has been pummeling stocks and financial markets.

The decision to devote more time to what has become the key issue in the election came after the Conservatives appealed to the broadcast consortium that runs the debates to reserve

an hour — instead of 12 minutes — for the economy.

The New Democrats and the Green party endorsed the request, and the consortium agreed to set aside the first 30 minutes for the economy. Gone are the opening and closing statements by the leaders.

"Given recent events in the global economy and its impact on Canada the economy has become a paramount issue," the consortium said in a statement.

Broadcast times

- The French debate will be broadcast live from 9:30 to 11:30 tonight on CBC, Radio-Canada, Global Television, CTV and TVA. The English debate is tomorrow from 10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

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The stakes are high as the leaders prepare for this week's debates. Watch at metronews.ca/canada

Harper Family time



Conservative Leader Stephen Harper walks his daughter Rachel to school in Ottawa yesterday. Harper was enjoying some down time as he prepares for the leaders' debates tonight and tomorrow.

Rae blows whistle on Harper's 2003 speech

Bob Rae says he learned only last weekend about the similarities in speeches given by Australia's prime minister and Stephen Harper in 2003.

Rae, who made the revelation about the speeches yesterday, said he had already been planning to give a speech on foreign policy, arguing that "Canada needs to find its own voice again."

Rae, the Liberal foreign affairs critic, said there was no attempt to delay the release of the tapes until this week's leaders' debate.

Liberals say a party researcher, studying similarities between then-Australian prime minister John Howard's addresses and those of Harper, discovered the use of the exact language in the 2003 speeches several weeks ago. The Liberals say they ordered a video of

Howard's speech and it arrived from Australia only recently.

The two speeches laid out arguments for supporting plans by the government of U.S. President George W. Bush to invade Iraq.

The Liberals left no stone unturned when they released video and transcripts yesterday morning revealing that Howard and Harper delivered largely the same speech just days apart in March 2003, including many passages that were identical word-for-word.

Rae used two large televisions with a split-screen video to show Harper and Howard uttering identical phrases in support of military action in Iraq.

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Bob Rae

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Burning issue for artists

Actress Mary Walsh gathered a group of Newfoundlanders at Middle Cove Beach for a Sweater Vest Burning Bonfire Monday — a shot at Stephen Harper's new clothing style. The arts community is livid with the Conservatives for cutting funding to arts programming. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Heard on the Street: What's the most important issue in this election campaign?

From Metro newsrooms across Canada

www.peterkelly.ca
**Ingrid McLean**age 21,
Halifax

A: I find it's really expensive to go to university now. We're all in debt; I'm in a horrible amount of debt. Once I get out I'm pretty much guaranteed to be working a crappy job to pay it off.

John Codyage 21,
Halifax

A: Student funding, as well as environmental issues. And, of course, the economy with the fall of the U.S. economy I think it's important to have a strong look.

Hanna Cavicchiage 20,
Halifax

A: Getting more money for Nova Scotia students in university, or anybody, for that matter.

Mahmoud Amerage 24,
Ottawa

A: We need better health care, less taxes and better loans and bursaries for students.

Ève Côteage 29,
Montreal

A: The environment and the war in Afghanistan. I'm more concerned about the environment since I have a child. Our future should be green ... Money invested in war should be used for the environment.

Paul Dolanage 41,
Toronto

A: It's probably going to be the economy and what's going to happen ... It will be interesting to see which party's going to come up with the best approach to offset what's going to happen here.

Sam McKeeage 19,
Calgary

A: The environment. We're not doing nearly enough to invest in alternative technologies like solar electricity or wind power.

Gloria Stephenson

Edmonton

A: Health care and education are the most important things. I don't think the health-care system is as good as it could be and we need more doctors. University tuition is also way too high, and we need more solutions for day care.

Lea Lokmanage 22,
Vancouver

A: Immigration is important. I am afraid (Prime Minister Stephen) Harper might crack down on policy, which would be difficult for international students like me who want to stay here long term.



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Political change doesn't come cheap. Aside from the millions raised by political parties to fuel their campaigns, there's the cost of the electoral process and millions in reimbursements to parties and candidates — borne by the taxpayer. The cost of the 2006 election was \$270 million. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

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Environmental groups rally for anti-Tory vote

Greenpeace and Sierra Club Canada teamed up yesterday to urge Canadians to defeat Stephen Harper's Conservatives.

The two prominent envi-

ronmental groups told a press conference they've taken the "unprecedented" move of getting directly involved in the election to challenge the Conservative

government's climate change plan, which has been roundly criticized both nationally and internationally.

"If you care about the en-

vironment and if you want real action on climate change, do not vote Conservative," said Greenpeace executive director Bruce Cox. Cox said the Conserva-

tive government has ignored the best available science to combat global warming, and in so doing is jeopardizing Canada's environmental future.

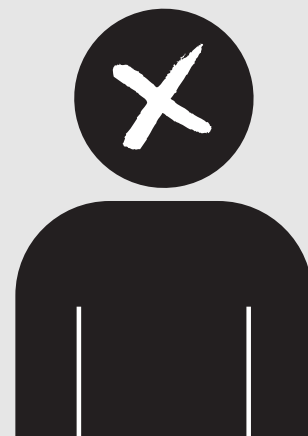
"This election represents a critical turning point," said Stephen Hazell, executive director of Sierra Club Canada.

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A federal general election is taking place on October 14, 2008.

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e.g.: health card and hydro bill

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- Student ID Card
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- Fishing Licence
- Wildlife Identification Card
- Hunting Licence
- Firearm Acquisition Card/Firearm Possession Card
- Outdoors Card and Licences
- Local Community Service Centre Card (CLSC)

ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS (containing name and address)

- Credit Card Statement
- Bank Statement
- Utility Bill (residential telephone, cable TV, public utilities commission, hydro, gas or water)
- Attestation of Residence issued by the responsible authority of an Indian band or reserve
- Local Property Tax Assessment
- School, College or University Report Card or Transcript
- Residential Lease, Residential Mortgage Statement or Agreement
- Canada Child Tax Benefit Statement
- Income Tax Assessment Notice
- Insurance Policy
- Government Cheque or Government Cheque Stub with elector name
- Statement of Employment Insurance Benefits Paid (T4E)
- Canada Pension Plan Statement of Contributions/Quebec Pension Plan Statement of Participation
- Statement of Old Age Security (T4A) or Statement of Canada Pension Plan Benefits (T4AP)
- Statement of Benefits from provincial workplace safety or insurance board
- Statement of Direct Deposit for provincial works or provincial disability support program
- Vehicle Ownership
- Vehicle Insurance
- Attestation of Residence issued by the responsible authorities (shelters, soup kitchens, student/senior residences, long-term care facilities)
- Letter from public curator

Note: The pieces of identification required under the *Canada Elections Act* are not the same as those for provincial or municipal elections.
The above information is also available in a number of heritage and Aboriginal languages on the Elections Canada Web site at www.elections.ca.

Vitamin C may blunt chemo effects: Study

Vitamin C supplements may undercut the effectiveness of cancer drugs, a U.S. study published today showed. When human cancer cells were treated with a form of vitamin C in lab dishes, chemotherapy drugs killed 30 to 70 per cent fewer tumour cells than usual, the scientists wrote in the journal *Cancer Research*. **REUTERS**

World/Business

U.S. party nominees urge bailout revival

'This is a time for action,' Obama tells rally

White House contenders Barack Obama and John McCain sought to persuade skeptical Americans yesterday to back a \$700 billion US Wall Street bailout package and planned to be in Washington today to vote on the measure.

A day after the U.S. House sent global markets reeling by rejecting the financial rescue plan, Senate leaders said yesterday they scheduled a vote for this evening on a new version of the measure, including a big increase in the amount of bank deposits protected by the government's insurance program.

The campaigns of Obama

Pressure

• If the bailout package passes the Senate this evening, as expected, it would put more pressure on the House to follow suit when it meets again tomorrow.

and McCain said the candidates would be on hand for the vote.

Obama and McCain had blamed each other for contributing to the collapse of the legislation Monday, but a day later each stressed the need for both parties to work together to try to reach an agreement palatable to some of the 228

members of Congress who voted to defeat the bailout.

Both encouraged Americans to back a Wall Street rescue because, as McCain said in Des Moines, Iowa, "Inaction is not an option."

Obama told thousands at an outdoor rally in Reno: "It is not a time for politicians to concern themselves with the next election. It is a time for all of us to concern ourselves with the future of the country we love. This is a time for action."

U.S. President George W. Bush also vowed yesterday to revive the bailout, one day after over 100 Republicans defied him and voted against the measure. **REUTERS**

Protest Crosses against coal



Greenpeace activists deploy 200 floating crosses during a protest to symbolize the threat of a new planned coal-fired power plant to the Corinthian Gulf off Greece yesterday.

Over 100 dead in temple stampede

INDIA At least 103 people died in a stampede at a temple in the Indian desert state of Rajasthan as Hindus gathered to begin Navratri, one of the most important religious festivals of the year, police said yesterday.

A handful of people fell while climbing a steep slope toward a temple situated inside a hilltop fort near the city of Jodhpur, triggering the crush, a Reuters photographer at the scene said. **REUTERS**

News in brief

STUDY Scientists have devised a formula to allow countries to predict immigration trends, according to a study published this week. The new mathematical model indicated Canada and the United States are getting most of their immigrants from Latin America. **REUTERS**

Business

In brief

MEDIA Newspaper executive Don Babick will step in as interim publisher of the Toronto Star and president of Star Media Group to replace Jagoda Pike, who is going to head up Ontario's 2015 PanAm Games bid. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

THE DAILY BUSINESS BUZZ

Vaccine maker honoured: ImmunoVaccine Technologies, a Halifax-based vaccine development company, has been selected as one of the winners of Canada's Top 10 Life Sciences Companies.

Woodlot certification available: The Nova Scotia Landowners and Forest Fibre Producers Association is offering certification to independent woodlots through management plans and training that complies with the Maritime Forest Stewardship Council standard.

Aircraft parts plant in works: Xperion, a German company, will construct a factory at the Yarmouth Airport to make composite parts for aircrafts. As many as 200 jobs could be created in five years, sources say.

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July's strong GDP growth a 'rearview mirror fantasy'

Canada's economy dazzled in July with the biggest expansion since 2004, but economists called the news "ancient history" and predicted sliding growth rates from now on due to the financial crisis.

Statistics Canada said yesterday the economy grew 0.7 per cent in July, in a stronger than expected start to the third quarter.

That was more than three times the market forecasts of a 0.2 per cent advance and followed June GDP growth of just 0.1 per cent.

"Enjoy it while you can, since July's GDP print is a rearview mirror fantasy that is bound to give way to the reality of a much weaker economy," Scotia Capital economists said in a note to clients. **REUTERS**

Markets rebound

The Toronto Stock Exchange's main index yesterday jumped more than 4 per cent, or 467.83 points, recouping more than half the previous day's heavy losses.

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Pittsburgh Penguins defenceman Sergei Gonchar will undergo arthroscopic surgery on his dislocated left shoulder Thursday and be sidelined for four to six months. Gonchar, 34, finished second among defencemen in scoring last season. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports



Raiders fire head coach Kiffin

Oakland Raiders owner Al Davis finally pulled the trigger yesterday and fired embattled second-year head coach Lane Kiffin, left, while naming offensive line coach Tom Cable as interim head coach. Davis fired Kiffin without pay via the telephone. Cable is the fifth head coach in the past six seasons for the Silver and Black. Kiffin guided the Raiders to a 4-12 mark in his first season with the club in 2007, before a 1-3 start this season. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sundin's suitors moving on

Canadian clubs shifting focus from Mats to Marian

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Two NHL clubs in Canada who've been getting nowhere in their almost-daily pursuits of Swedish free agent **Mats Sundin** have begun to make pitches for a younger offensive star from Czechoslovakia.

Sources tell Metro that both the Vancouver Canucks and Ottawa Senators have informed Minnesota Wild officials that they'd be willing and eager to take **Marian Gaborik** off their hands in a trade if they can't sign the high-scoring winger to a new contract.

Gaborik, 26, is seeking a salary worth more than \$8.5-million U.S. a season. And, while Minnesota officials would like to accommodate Gaborik by rene-

Phelps calls interviewer an idiot

• Immediately after finishing a live telephone interview on ESPN Radio the other day, U.S. swimming star Michael Phelps told a nearby friend: "That guy (interviewer Dan LeBe-

tard) was an idiot." LeBertard and his audience heard the comment. Seems Phelps neglected to hang up. Which prompted LeBertard to question Phelps' intelligence level.

gotiating his existing deal, they doubt they can afford to pay him what he'd like. If the sides can't agree on a new contract soon, the Wild may trade him. They also could continue to negotiate in the coming regular season, but that would be a distraction players and clubs generally prefer to avoid.

While keeping their eyes on the Gaborik situation, the Canucks and Sens continue to regularly chase the 37-year-old Sundin on the free-agent market and have offered the ex-captain of the Toronto Maple Leafs even more than what it would take to satisfy Gaborik.

• Another Canadian club, meanwhile, is ex-

ceeding its salary cap and is planning to unload a player or two to free up space.

The Calgary Flames wouldn't mind solving their problem by dealing veteran defenceman **Adrian Aucoin** and his \$4-million salary. Thing is, Aucoin has a no-trade clause.

• Add the names of **Gord Kirke** and **Phil Lind** to the list of candidates to succeed **Paul Godfrey** as the Blue Jays' president.

Kirke is a renowned sports lawyer who drafted the original documents to create the Jays back in 1976. Lind is an executive with the Rogers group that owns the Jays.

Also on the list are ex-Rogers exec **John Tory** and

ex-Jays execs **Paul Beeston** and **Pat Gillick**.

• Gillick is completing his tenure as general manager of the Philadelphia Phillies, who are favoured to win the World Series this month ... Right behind the Phils on the favourites' list are the Chicago Cubs, who've gone 100 years without a Series championship. B.C. native **Ryan Dempster**, who predicted an end to the Cubs' drought on the first day of spring training, starts in Chicago's playoff opener today ... New York's Shea Stadium, after 44 years, is history as the Mets prepare to move to a new facility next season, but, for a mere \$100,000, you can buy its home dugout.

If you're searching for a bargain, buy the visitor's dugout for \$50,000.

Or a foul pole for \$25,000.

Marty York has been a groundbreaking sports columnist and broadcaster in Canada for decades.



Ze Roberto of Bayern Munich, right, scores against Lyon at the Allianz Arena in Munich yesterday. The game ended in a 1-1 draw.

Man U finds scoring touch

SOCCER Dimitar Berbatov's first two goals for Manchester United helped secure a 3-0 win over AaB Aalborg in Champions League Group E yesterday, while Juventus had to fight back for a 2-2 draw at BATE Borisov in Group H.

Villarreal are level at the top of the group with United on four points after a 1-0 win at home to Celtic with a second half goal from midfielder Marcos Senna. Celtic and Aalborg have a point apiece. In the other Group H match, Real Madrid kept their 100 per

cent record intact with a 2-1 win at UEFA Cup holders Zenit St Petersburg. Ruud van Nistelrooy netting the 31st-minute winner.

Arsenal crushed Porto 4-0 in Group G with a double strike from Robin Van Persie and goals in each half from Emmanuel Adebayor, his second a penalty.

Bayern Munich top Group F despite being held 1-1 at home by Olympique Lyon. The German champions claimed a crucial point when Ze Roberto headed home after the break.

REUTERS

Sports in brief

NHL The Vancouver Canucks named goalie Roberto Luongo has the team's captain yesterday. He won't be allowed to wear the 'C' on his jersey, though, because of an NHL rule forbidding goalies to do so.

MLB MLB announced yesterday that Brad Lidge of the Philadelphia Phillies and Cliff Lee of the Cleveland Indians are the recipients of the 2008 Comeback Player of the Year Award.

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White Sox squeak into playoffs

MLB The Chicago White Sox captured the American League Central Division title with a thrilling 1-0 win over the Minnesota Twins in a sudden-death playoff game yesterday.

Jim Thome's solo home run in the seventh inning off Minnesota starter Nick Blackburn accounted for the game's only run, sending the White Sox into the AL Divisional Series

against the Tampa Bay Rays.

John Danks pitched a brilliant two-hitter over eight innings for the win and closer Bobby Jenks pitched a scoreless ninth for the save.

The White Sox have a quick turnaround after their champagne-and-beer celebration as



Jim Thome

face the AL East champion Tampa Bay Rays in the ALDS starting on Thursday at Tropicana Field.

This will be Chicago's first trip to the postseason since winning the AL Central in 2005, when the White Sox went on to win their first World Series since 1917.

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Panthers send Brine back to minors

Former Halifax Mooseheads captain David Brine is headed back to the minors after the Florida Panthers reassigned him to the American Hockey League's Rochester Americans on Monday. The 23-year-old centre played nine games with the Panthers last season and was eyeing an NHL roster spot. **METRO HALIFAX**

sports 15**Huskies ranked third in the nation**

AUS FOOTBALL The unbeaten Saint Mary's Huskies sit third in Canadian Interuniversity Sport's most recent football rankings.

The Huskies, who have a 4-0 record and clinched a playoff spot on the weekend, have held down third spot since the pre-season. The Laval Rouge et Or (4-0) are No. 1, while the Queen's Gaels (5-0) leapfrogged past the Huskies this week, usurping the Western Ontario Mustangs.

Saint Mary's visits the St. Francis Xavier X-Men on Saturday at 2 p.m.

METRO HALIFAX**Sports in brief**

AUS FOOTBALL Saint Mary's Huskies rookie running back Devon Jones was named Atlantic University Sport football's offensive player of the week yesterday after a 251-yard, two-touchdown effort on Saturday.

HOCKEY Long-time pro hockey forward Cail MacLean of Middleton has been named an assistant coach of the East Coast Hockey League's Carolina Stingrays.

METRO HALIFAX

Crookshank eyes return

Star forward leaves Finland, talking contract with Rainmen

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The star of the Halifax Rainmen's inaugural season appears headed for an encore.

Eric Crookshank, who signed a contract to play in Finland in June, quit last week before playing a regular season game and returned to his home in California. He has since been in heavy contract talks with Rainmen co-owner Andre Levinston.

"If you were to ask me right now, I'd say I'm going back to Halifax," Crookshank said yesterday. "I've been in strong conversations with Andre. I have a lot of fans in Halifax and Halifax is where my heart is."

The Rainmen, who played in the American Basketball Association last season, will spend this season in the Premier Basketball League, with their first game set for January.

Crookshank, a high-flying, 6-foot-8 forward who av-



Eric Crookshank is hoping to suit up for the Halifax Rainmen next season, calling the city 'a second home.'

eraged a double-double last season, was one of four players on last year's Rainmen that Levinston submitted on a protected list to the PBL. Swingman Brian Silverhorn, centre Kadiri Richard and point guard Jimmy Twyman are the others.

The Rainmen have exclusive PBL negotiating rights to the four.

The 29-year-old Crook-

shank said he was averaging a double-double through four pre-season games with Componenta of the Finnish Korisliiga, the country's top league.

"I was promised certain things, living arrangements, a vehicle, and only 70 per cent of the things promised were given to me," Crookshank said. "I thought I had proven my-

self as a player and I expected I'd be treated better."

Since leaving, he said he has lucrative offers on the table, listing teams in Luxembourg, Germany and Spain. But the Rainmen appeal to him more than European teams.

Crookshank described Levinston as a "father figure" and said Halifax is "like a second home" for him.

"It's almost like I'm from Halifax," he said. "I have a lot of friends and a lot of fans there. I've played in a lot of places, and the fans are nothing like they are in Halifax. They know all the ins and outs about you, and you love to play for them."

Levinston hopes to sign Crookshank, Silverhorn, Richard and Twyman and add two quality talents at the PBL draft on Oct. 16 in Chicago. He'll round out the roster with free agents.

"Those four would be a solid foundation," Levinston said. "Bring in a couple of horses, and we'd be alright."

Locke scores pair, but Lions lose 7-3

HOCKEY Chad Locke moved to the top of the Maritime Junior A Hockey League scoring race last night, but it wasn't enough for the Halifax Lions' first win at the Forum.

Locke scored twice — boosting his totals to eight goals and five assists in eight games — as the Lions lost 7-3 to the Truro Bearcats before a crowd of 387.

Ben Clarke was the first star, scoring a goal and two assists for the Lions, who are 1-5-2.

METRO HALIFAX**Sports in brief**

AUS SOCCER The Dalhousie Tigers men's soccer team has cracked Canadian Interuniversity Sport's top-10 ranking. Coming off a last-place finish, Dal has rebounded with a 4-1-2 record and debuts in the ranking at the No. 10 spot.

AUS SOCCER Ross Hagen of the Dalhousie Tigers soccer team was named Atlantic University Sport's male athlete of the week yesterday after scoring a pair of goals on the weekend.

METRO HALIFAX

Roski twins ready to do battle

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HOCKEY Ever since Andrew Roski first laced up skates, he has been teammates with his twin brother, Michael.

But that changed this year, when both of them cracked Quebec Major Junior Hockey League rosters.

Andrew, a forward, is skating with the first-place and unbeaten Moncton Wildcats, while Michael, a defenceman, is with the fourth-place Shawinigan Cataractes.

The Wildcats and Cataractes are scheduled to meet on Friday.

"We're best buddies — we talk all the time," Andrew said. "We've played on the same team since we were four, so it's different being apart, but we're getting used to it."

The Roskis developed their games in the Halifax Hawks' system before graduating to the Dartmouth Subways. Now 17, they both have reputations as grinding, physical role players who play bigger than their sub-six-foot statures.

One scout said at the draft that Andrew, a former Subways captain, would "do anything to help his team win."

"We both like the gritty



Former Dartmouth Subways captain Andrew Roski is set to play against his twin brother Michael on Friday.

side of the game," Andrew said. "We're nearly the same size and we had the same attitudes. We grew up fighting each other, so it just sort of grew on us."

Michael has appeared in four of seven games with Shawinigan after a pre-season trade from the Montreal Junior, while Andrew has played in all six of Moncton's games, recording two

assists and skating on the fourth line and penalty kill.

Andrew couldn't have asked for a better start to his Q career, seeing a regular shift on the league's No. 1 team. The Wildcats are a perfect 6-0-0 after two weeks of play.

"We're off to the best start in franchise history," Roski said. "We're just hoping to keep it rolling."

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Living life large

Audi A4 makes room for more fun

MARK ATKINSON
for Metro Canada

The Audi A4 has grown for 2009 – literally. Width is up by 53 mm, while track increases by 46 mm, improving shoulder room and handling respectively.

More importantly, the wheelbase stretches 165 mm although overall length is only up by 117 mm. Audi now claims best-in-class rear legroom, meaning it's safe to take your

friends for drives again.

From an enthusiast's point of view, the additional length and wheelbase free up room for the new front chassis architecture. Borrowed from the A5/S5 coupes, the revisions allow the engine to sit more between the front wheels instead of ahead of the front axle, providing better balance and handling.

The front suspension itself is still Audi's traditional five-link system, with a trapezoidal link rear setup.

The direct-injection engines are familiar yet tweaked for '09, adopting Audi's new Valvelift system to maximize power and efficiency. The 2.0-litre turbocharged four-cylinder has received a thorough going over, producing 211 hp and a fantastic 258 lb-ft of torque from 1,500 to 4,500 rpm. The 2.0 TFSI will scoot the A4 from 0-100 km/h in a scant 6.7 seconds, and returns 8.2 L/100 km combined.

However, the optional 3.2-litre V6 seems less impressive on paper. While its 265 hp is up 15 from before, the 3.2 V6 FSI only accelerates to 100 km/h two-tenths faster yet averages 10.1 L/100 km combined.

For now, both engines are offered with six-speed Tiptronic automatic transmissions, although six-speed manuals and a CVT (only on FrontTrak models) will make appearances later in the spring.

Most models will come equipped with Audi's legendary quattro all-wheel drive system, although now power is biased 40/60 front/rear in an effort to improve its driving manners. Don't expect RS4-like handling prowess as the A4 is tuned much less aggressively.

Safety is handled with six 'adaptive' airbags, ABS with ESP, brake assist and brake-disc wiping, and height-adjustable seatbelts.



Audi now claims best-in-class rear legroom, meaning it's safe to take your friends for drives again.

2009 Audi A4

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Highlights

- Larger interior space
- All-wheel drive system
- Six-speed Tiptronic



The interior is pulled directly from the A5/S5, so it's certainly familiar and well put together.

models offered in Canada will be quattro-equipped with Tiptronic.

Even entry-level A4s get a good amount of standard equipment, including 17-in wheels, a sunroof, leather seats, aluminum interior, split-folding rear seat, power driver's seat, 10-speaker 180-watt sound system with auxiliary input, and automatic climate control.

Moving up the ladder, the 2.0 TFSI quattro Premium includes bi-xenon headlights, a six-disc CD player,

three-zone climate control, Bluetooth capability and automatic wipers and lights.

The 3.2 FSI comes only one way: fully loaded, meaning all the toys in the Premium package plus a 505-watt 14-speaker Bang & Olufson sound system, Side Assist, rear parking sensors, auto-dimming mirrors, adaptive headlights, and a colour driver information display.

The interior is pulled directly from the A5/S5, so it's certainly familiar and well put together.

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Award winner

For the second time in five years, Cancun has won the World Travel Award for Best Destination in Central America and the Caribbean. The awards celebrate the cream of the crop in the world travel industry. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Cape Cod's sandy shacks inspire

Barebones shelters a throwback destination for artists and tourists alike

Solitude. Prophets and poets have long sought out the world's secluded spots to clear their minds and inspire their souls. The lonely, lovely dunes on the outskirts of Provincetown, Mass., the artists' colony at the tip of Cape Cod, have been the refuge of some of America's literary and artistic giants.

Eugene O'Neill, Jack Kerouac, Tennessee Williams, Jackson Pollock and Norman Mailer all came here to think big thoughts while eeking out an undisturbed existence in rickety shacks in the sand.

"There are still lots of young writers, artists and photographers who come here for the seclusion of the dunes," says Frank Viets. "I imagine that if you're working on a book, you don't want to hear



The isolated — and desolate — dune shacks of Massachusetts' Cape Cod were once used by some of America's greatest writers and are still seasonally inhabited by artists seeking seclusion.

things like the 80 Harley Davidsons we had going down the main street of Provincetown."

Seeking our own bit of solitude from the tourist

hordes of Provincetown, Frank, a guide with Art's Dune Tours, is leading my four kids and I on an exploration of the magic and mystery of the dunes.

It's a short drive from Provincetown to the entrance to the dunes, which are part of the Cape Cod Seashore national park. Only Frank's company's

vehicles and those of the U.S. park rangers are allowed onto the paths among this part of the dunes.

Frank recites the story of the dunes and the shacks as we plow along the trails, which are carved out continuously by park rangers.

The shacks were built as shelters for members of the coast guard life-saving service in the 19th century. When the service moved on, they were bought by private individuals. The artistic elite started showing up in the 1920s. Some of the shacks are still privately-owned, others are owned by the park service and managed by trusts.

Looking at them — fragile structures fashioned from driftwood — it seems a miracle that any of them are still upright. And what you see is what you get,

Dune shacks

• Art's Dune Tours in Provincetown, Mass., offers a variety of package excursions to the dunes. For more information visit artsdunetours.com or call 1-800-894-1951.

just a barebones shelter with no electricity, running water, or indoor bathrooms.

Talk about suffering for your art. And yet, every year, people shack up in them, owners, artists, and tourists who can try their luck at a summer sojourn through a lottery run by an organization called the Peaked Hill Trust.

It's definitely primitive, but Frank says Art's has a delivery service, providing food, water, even prescriptions. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Julian Alps are a hiker's dream

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For outdoor adventurers who love to hike, the Slovenian landscape is Mother Nature's playground. With 10,000 kilometres of marked paths

across the country, the hiking possibilities seem endless, from the tops of snow-custed mountains to the base of the river gorge.

Slovenia's big attraction centres around the Julian Alps, a mountain range of 4,400 kilometres with 120 peaks over 2,000 metres high.

Less tourist-y than the Alpine spine that snakes across Italy or Switzerland, the Julian Alps provide an alternative for tourists looking to escape main-

stream crowds and mainstream prices.

All through the region, there are thousands of paths challenging climbers of all levels. Some hikes span weeks, some span days, others hours. Choosing which one is right for you depends on your level of fitness and schedule.

• One popular ascent is Triglav, the highest mountain in Slovenia. With a summit of 2,500 metres, Triglav usually takes two to three days to hike and is a

must do for any "real Slovenian."

• For a quick day hike, I travelled just outside of the historic town of Bled for a glimpse at Vintgar Gorge. Discovered in 1891, Vintgar has been a tourist attraction since the late 19th century. While it was dangerous to visit back then, today's well-marked trail of wooden planks makes it accessible to everyone.

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In its first full week of performances, the Katie Holmes-powered revival of Arthur Miller's *All My Sons* was the hottest dramatic ticket on Broadway, grossing \$684,000 US for the week ended Sunday, according to Playbill.com. **E! NEWS ONLINE**

Entertainment

Becks' books

Soccer superstar David Beckham is set to launch a series of books for kids, set at his soccer academies in London and Los Angeles, with the help of a ghostwriter. The first is due out next year. **IMDB.COM**



AGNS looks at roots of democracy

ART The Art Gallery of Nova Scotia unveiled its new exhibition *Roots of Democracy: Nova Scotia and the Eighteenth Century* yesterday morning.

The exhibit features roughly 30 pieces, all but one of which was drawn from the gallery's permanent collection. The other piece is on loan from the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic.

The new exhibit looks at the environment and world in the 1700s and includes scenic landscapes, maps and portraits of individuals to represent multiple narratives from the 18th century.

"We wanted to paint a visual portrait of the 18th century," said Rachel Solomon, the exhibit's coordinator.

"So it's the time leading up to and following the first representative government that assembled here in Halifax, and what would become the country of Canada."

The exhibit is sponsored by the Nova Scotia government's Democracy 250 and will remain on display until Nov. 2.

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In brief

TELEVISION Durnery Bond will be arriving at Stanfield International Airport today at 5:45 p.m. Over a half a million viewers watched the Lakelands teenager win YTV's *The Next Star* on Sunday night. A repeat broadcast of the finale will air tonight on YTV at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, Oct. 12 at 1 p.m. and 10 p.m.

CONCERT Newfoundland singer-songwriter Dr. Zoo will be playing tonight at Stayner's Wharf in Halifax, with doors opening at 8:30 p.m. Dr. Zoo uses lyrics and storytelling to talk of his 20-year journey from Newfoundland to Africa and back again. Tickets are \$10.

FILM *Edge of Heaven*, by award-winning Turkish-German director Faith Akin, is being shown at the next Monday Night Movies at the Empire 8 Park Lane Theatres at 7 p.m. Monday Night Movies is a project of the Atlantic Filmmakers Cooperative.

METRO HALIFAX

Not just dance, but an event

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Marie Chouinard is proud of her work, and isn't afraid to say so.

"It's another creation by Marie Chouinard," laughed the world renowned choreographer when asked what makes her latest work, *Orpheus and Eurydice*, so good.

"It's not only choreography, it's an event. It's something that is happening on stage and having an impact on your body, your soul, your spirit, your intelligence. It's really something big."

The Live Art Dance presentation, which has been performed around the world since its debut in February, is coming to Halifax for shows tomorrow, Friday and Saturday at the Sir James Dunn Theatre at the Dalhousie Arts Centre. Start time each night is 8 p.m.

Orpheus and Eurydice is described as a powerful, excessive work intertwined with dark comedy, satire and sexual desire. There are 10 dancers for the performance, all of whom sport microphones so you can hear their voice and every



Dancer Dorothea Saykaly performs in Marie Chouinard's *Orpheus and Eurydice*, which plays in Halifax tomorrow through Saturday.

movement on stage. The show is made up of one act and lasts 75 minutes.

"I really love it. I'm really proud," said Chouinard, who is from Montreal. "The dancers are great and getting so into it."

Chouinard has been creating dances for 30

years, with several of her shows making their way to Halifax. Her work usually draws glowing reviews from critics, with *Orpheus and Eurydice* appearing to be no exception.

"I'm quite lucky on the (side of reviews) some how," said Chouinard, ap-

pointed an officer of the Order of Canada in the fall of 2007.

"I really intended to create work that is a gift for people. That gives something to people. I imagine myself creating gifts, and being true to a vision that is not so easy to bring about."

If you go

- What: Marie Chouinard's *Orpheus and Eurydice*
- Where: Sir James Dunn Theatre
- When: Tomorrow through Saturday, 8 p.m.
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Festival brings photography into focus

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FESTIVAL Fans of photography are in for a treat at local art galleries over the next several weeks.

Photopolis, a city-wide celebration of photography in Halifax, kicks off today and will run through Nov. 15.

Photopolis is the collaboration work of close to 30 galleries, most of which are located in Halifax, and includes exhibitions of photography and photo-based works by artists of local, national and international stature.

There will also be talks by artists for Photopolis and events focusing on issues and ideas in contemporary photography.

"A lot of contemporary art is photo-based, so it's

not a big stretch to ask galleries to focus on photography, which includes film and video as well," said Robin Metcalfe, who is on the planning committee for Photopolis.

The photography festival also took place in Halifax in 2004.

"So we started to talk about this a bit more than a year ago, and galleries have planned their programming so that we have strong, photo-based shows for this time period."

The official kickoff for the event is tonight with the Photopolis Opening Party at the FRED Gallery on Agricola Street from 8 to 10 p.m.

Showcased at the FRED Gallery will be images by photographers Hannah Thomson, Michael Fuller

and Neil Rough.

In the next six weeks other participating galleries will be opening new works, including several on Saturday, Oct. 18, when Photopolis will join forces with Nocturne, a nighttime arts festival in Halifax that will have the city's galleries open from 6 p.m. to midnight.

"People are going to see a great range of things for Photopolis," said Metcalfe, who is also the director of the Saint Mary's University Art Gallery.

"They'll see what they might think is conventional photography, both in colour and black and white. They'll also see video projections and film projections."

For a complete listing of Photopolis events, go to www.photopolis.ca.



Francois Gaudet's short film *Nuit Blanc* will be showcased at the Saint Mary's University Art Gallery on Oct. 18.

It was good ... really

Director Guy Ritchie has defended his box-office flop *Swept Away*, which stars his pop star wife Madonna, insisting it would have been hailed if he had made it before becoming famous. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UKentertainment **19**

Interest lies in eccentric, quirky inventors, not what they invent

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Flash of Genius tells the dramatic true story of Professor Robert Kearns, the inventor of the intermittent windshield wiper.

Now, if you're thinking that sounds like an unusual premise for a multimillion dollar Hollywood blockbuster, you would be correct.

But it's not just the oddness of the invention; Hollywood has had an aversion to all true stories about inventors lately.

Not since the 1940s with classic flicks like *Mervyn LeRoy's* *Madame Curie* or *Edison the Man* have films about great true discoverers made a significant impact in Tinseltown.

Instead, it seems that producers are more attracted by the quirkiness of character than the greatness of invention. As the stars of *Flash of Genius* — in theatres on Friday — would attest, their film is no different.

"There are probably more invention stories out there that have more heroism and triumph in them," says *Flash of Genius* ac-

tress Lauren Graham during a recent interview. "What's interesting about this person is how far he went in pursuit of what he believed was right."

That's true. Ripped off by the auto industry, the film shows Kearns (played by Greg Kinnear), enduring decades of obsessive legal battles against a mighty corporation. Kinnear insists that it was Kearns' eccentricities that producers found intriguing.

"What was more interesting about him was less of his engineering background and more of just his prickly, uncompromising stubborn human quality that, as Alan Alda says (in the film) wasn't the most charming element to be around."

Eccentricity is the driving force behind most inventor stories nowadays. Whether it's Martin Scorsese's look at Howard Hughes in *The Aviator* (he invented several aviation innovations but is more revered for his overgrown fingernails and extreme obsessions) or *The Road to Wellville*, featuring Anthony Hopkins as John Harvey Kellogg — the holistic doctor who created corn flakes.

It's tough to find a movie



Greg Kinnear stars in *Flash of Genius*, a film about a stubborn inventor opening this Friday.

featuring good ol' run-of-the-mill inventors.

In fact, the way Hollywood views invention stories these days can probably be best summed up by what attracted director Marc Abraham to *Flash of Genius*.

"This movie falls into that zone, where it's about somebody fighting for principle," says Abraham. "That's why I loved it — even though it was seemingly about a windshield wiper, it was really about something else."

Applegate admits tears before surgery

CANCER Actress Christina Applegate felt sure she'd avoided the emotion of her recent cancer diagnosis, but burst into tears when a surgeon came to perform a double mastectomy, imdb.com reports.

Applegate admits she had no problems telling her doctor to remove her breasts but when it came to the actual procedure, Applegate was overcome with emotion.

"I was just gonna let

them go ... and then,

when I met with my doctor and I told him that was my decision and he brought the surgeon in,

it was like the floodgates just opened up and I lost it," Applegate told talk-show host Oprah Winfrey.



Christina Applegate

Applegate also described the moment she was told she had breast cancer. "Right now, I'm sitting here shaking, remembering that moment. As you guys know, you don't think it's gonna happen to me."

But Applegate admits she secretly knew she'd be diagnosed with cancer at some point, because her mother is a two-time breast cancer survivor.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Entertainment in brief

COURTS Demi Moore is suing an Australian celebrity magazine after it published pictures of the actress at a private Oscars party earlier this year, imdb.com reports. Moore has launched legal action in Melbourne, Australia, against New

Idea magazine, according to AustralianNews.com.au.

MUSIC Britney Spears said she plans to make her first international tour since 2004 to support her highly anticipated new album, *Circus*, Reuters reports.

GAMES Video game publisher

Electronic Arts Inc has signed a deal for Hollywood director Zack Snyder, who made the hit 2006 film *300*, to help develop video games, some of which may someday become movies themselves, Reuters reports.

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Comics Jimmy Kimmel and Sarah Silverman have downplayed rumours of a romantic reunion after they were spotted holding hands in Los Angeles over the weekend. "They remain close friends," a spokesperson said. **IMDb.COM**

Funny duo reuniting?

A catfight away from the catwalk

YOU'RE EITHER IN OR YOU'RE OUT - OF COURT:

Project Runway's big moment in the pop culture spotlight is pretty much over, but the show is currently being fought over in court like a no-longer-cute child caught in a bitter custody battle.

Last Friday, a judge granted an injunction preventing the show from making its move from NBC-owned Bravo US to the Lifetime channel, a move brokered by the Weinstein Company, the show's producers, earlier this year.

According to an NBC Universal press release, Weinstein "violated NBC Universal's right of first refusal to future cycles of Project Runway," setting the stage for a trial that could delay Lifetime's scheduled premiere of season six in January, and

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even see NBC regain control of the show.

This could potentially be a mortal blow for Lifetime, which has built its rebranding of the network around the US\$150 million it spent on acquiring five cycles of the show.

"I am a huge fan," said Lifetime president Andrea Wong in April. "All my friends are huge fans. Having watercooler movies, dramas and reality shows like Project Runway is what Lifetime Television is all about." Yesterday, the New York

Post ran a story on how Weinstein and Lifetime ended up in this unenviable position, based on disclosures in the injunction decision by New York Supreme Court judge Richard Lowe.

It all boils down to bad blood between Harvey Weinstein and Bravo head Lauren Zalaznick, who had interfered with production on the show and blocked product integration deals that were vital to both the show's content and bottom line.

Most of all, though, Weinstein hated how Bravo had cloned the Project Runway model with shows like Top Chef and Shear Genius — a curious complaint in an industry where imitation is the sincerest form of flattery you can inflict on both friends and enemies alike.

In the meantime, season six has been in production in Los Angeles for two weeks, where it'll film until mid-month, before breaking to let the finalists create the collections they'll feature in February's New York Fashion Week at the show's finale, by which point the lawsuit should be settled.



Producer Harvey Weinstein, centre, with actress Michelle Trachtenberg, left, and stylist Rachel Zoe, was all smiles at New York Fashion Week, but he's currently involved in a bitter court battle over the show.

The really perverse aspect of the whole story is the likelihood that NBC Universal, should it claw the show back, will likely take it away from Bravo, in the hopes of pouring oil over the troubled waters of their relationship with Weinstein. The Post even suggested that it would be moved to the network flagship, NBC, where it's unlikely to thrive under the much higher ratings ex-

pectations of network primetime. The whole sorry spectacle — a p-ing match more than a savvy exercise in feeding the bottom line — is one that needs to be remembered whenever someone tells you that the entertainment business is only interested in making money.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

Panabaker lands lead in Prodigy

CASTING Danielle Panabaker, who starred on TV's *Shark* and appeared on the big screen in *Mr. Brooks*, has been cast as the female lead in the sci-fi action film *Prodigy*.

Prodigy centres on an elite prep school that promises to turn teenagers into geniuses through a drug-and-diet regimen for a half-million-dollar tuition.



When several alumni turn up dead, the school's valedictorian is assigned to investigate the murders, leading him to a rebellious student (Max Thieriot).

Panabaker plays the brilliant daughter of a senator who begins to question the powers that be.

Dave Kalsstein adapted the screenplay from his 2006 novel. Chuck Russell (*The Scorpion King*) is directing the feature for Intrepid Pictures and Kincine.

The movie will be filmed in Valencia and at the Ciudad de la Luz studios in Alicante, Spain. Panabaker next stars in the remake of Friday the 13th, which opens Feb. 13.

Spike takes look at Peep Show

TELEVISION Spike TV is peering into Peep Show, ordering a pilot for the single-camera comedy adaptation of a British series. Peep Show is a modern-day Odd Couple centering on a slacker and his uptight roommate.

The stories are told with a first-person perspective and voice-over.

Dylan Kidd is directing the pilot from a script by Sam Bain and Jesse Armstrong, writers on the U.K. series. The British series is entering its sixth season.

Fox likely to pick up Good Vibes

TELEVISION Fox is getting Good Vibes about a new animated comedy from Pineapple Express director David Gordon Green. The network has ordered a presentation from the project for spring consideration.

Written by Green and to be drawn by Brad Abelson (*The Simpsons*), Good Vibes revolves around a crazy group of high school students living in a California community.

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Anna and Kristina's Grocery Bag

Betty Crocker is an American icon; you'd think Anna and Kristina would pick an American dish, not a British staple, for their test run of the "Betty Crocker Cookbook." But no; they're trying Betty's recipe for beer-battered fish and chips and giving a British pub owner the honor of taste-testing it. First, though, they have to find the right beer, which involves its own taste test. 9 PM on W

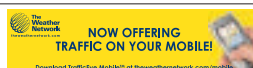


Little Mosque on the Prairie

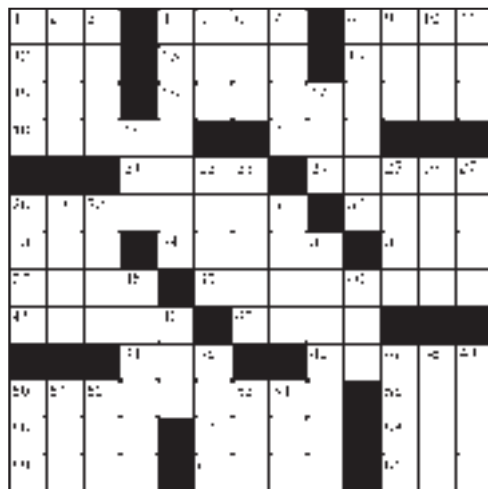
When we left the people of Mercy at the end of last season, Rayyan (Sitara Hewitt) had received a marriage proposal from J.J. (Stephen Lobo), and Amaar (Zaib Shaikh) was forced to confront his feelings for her. Ah, yes; who doesn't love a little love triangle on the prairie? Sheila McCarthy and Carlo Rota also star in the season premiere. "Amaar at the Bat." 8 PM on CBC

Dirty Sexy Money

In the season premiere, Tripp and Letitia (Donald Sutherland, Jill Clayburgh) throw Nick (Peter Krause) a lavish birthday party, despite the fact that he and Lisa (Zoe McLellan) had been planning to celebrate privately. Of course, that was before Nick needed to smooth things over with the eldest Darling son, senatorial candidate Patrick (William Baldwin) who is searching for his transgendered mistress. 11:01 PM on ABC ASN



Take Five



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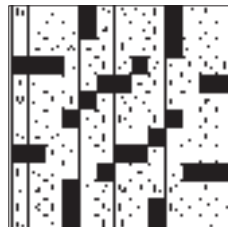
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Crossword down

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11 "Of course"
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26 Beige
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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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Recipe of the day



Greek-style lemon chicken soup

INGREDIENTS:

- 12 oz (375 g) boneless, skinless chicken breasts
1 large onion, thinly sliced
2 celery stalks, chopped
1 large carrot, thinly sliced
6 black peppercorns
Strip of lemon zest
1 small bunch fresh dill or flat-leaf parsley
1/2 cup (125 mL) long-grain white rice
Juice of 1 lemon
2 eggs, beaten
Salt and pepper

GARNISH:

- Sprigs of fresh dill or flat-leaf parsley

METHOD:

1. Place chicken breasts, onion, celery, carrot, black peppercorns, lemon zest and dill or parsley into a large saucepan. Add 4 cups (1 L) water and bring to a boil over medium heat, skimming off foam. Reduce heat and half-cover with a lid, so water bubbles gently. Simmer until chicken is cooked through,

about 15 minutes.

2. Remove chicken from pan with a slotted spoon and set aside. Strain the broth through a large sieve into a clean pan, discarding the vegetables and flavourings.
3. Reheat broth until boiling, then stir in rice. Simmer gently until rice is almost tender, about 8 to 10 minutes. Meanwhile, cut or tear chicken into thin shreds, and mix lemon juice with beaten eggs.
4. Add shredded chicken to soup. Heat over medium heat until soup almost boils again. Remove from heat and pour in lemon juice mixture, stirring constantly. Season lightly with salt and pepper. Serve immediately, garnished with sprigs of dill or parsley.

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Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

Abstinence will force a cancellation. Privacy will cause a problem for a loner. You'll realize that there's no help for a personality defect.



TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

News of a bungled test surprises everyone. A chat comes in handy with a forceful woman. Someone is ready to bolt from a relationship.



SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

Impressive remarks are made in a debate. A bubbly female changes your mind. Give up before making any senseless demands.



LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

You should accept that miracles will happen. Avoid an invitation for a fun event. An obsession causes harsh words to be spoken.



GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

Resist the desire to be stubborn. A male friend ups the ante. Rough and tumble playing will interfere with being logical.



SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

A magical change will give you chills. Concealed feelings will come to a head. Put a stop to criticism by being chattier.



CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

Stand on your own two feet in a precarious love affair. A maternal person has a message for you. A damaged quest is broadened over.



CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

A careless comment will tell you the whole story. Taking extreme action will work to your advantage. Your decisions are influenced by visitors.



LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

A man deals with harsh words at a meeting. A pitiful friend will tell you of a back pain. A cry for freedom will be considered.



AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

Frantic activity appears to rattle someone. You'll want to flee from affectionate bonding. Be careful not to lose your train of thought.



VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

A blonde works on your development. Your friendly nature protects those who are faltering. A man threatens others with punishment.



PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20

You won't be forgotten by an angry man. A conversation will concern unusual actions. You'll be disappointed by a special person.



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came o'er me stealin' ...
and the old triangle,
went jingle, jangle,
all along the banks
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Celebrity Buzz

J.Lo: Bring me babies



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FAMILY Jennifer Lopez would "love to have more children" with husband Marc Anthony, female-first.co.uk reports.

The singer/actress, who gave birth to twins Max and Emme, her first children with Marc, in February, is already planning to extend her family further but doesn't know when she will find the time.

"I'd love to have more kids. I don't know when, we'll see, you know, that's the same way my first ones happened!" says Lopez,

who previously revealed she got pregnant as soon as she stopped trying to conceive.

"We'll just do it the same way for the second time around!"

Lopez also says becoming a mother has changed her "whole perspective on life."

"It has changed me very much. It really prioritized what you thought was important and what was not so important," she told Entertainment Tonight.

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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

I'm worried about **Daniel Craig**. By saying that he's going to have to give up his fitness regimen so that he can get "fat and old," Craig is displaying classic symptoms of the dreaded NPES, or Normal Person Envy Syndrome.

NPES is an affliction that can strike the very famous without warning. Symptoms include aspiring to acquire a lifestyle identical to that of the average fan who see their movies, watch their TV shows and go to their concerts.

Daniel Craig is under the delusion that he'd like to stop working out so that he's no longer the object of lust for women worldwide, and a symbol of male virility. It's no good to explain to him that being a normal, fat, old person isn't all it's cracked up to be. The man-boobs, the front-butt, the inability to live in denial by bedding 21-year-olds. This is all that being "normal" means.

Let's hope that Craig gets help. Left untreated, NPES could see him making good on his threat to eschew the gym for a diet rich in carbs, alcohol, and cheese doodles. Before he knows it, people will mistake him for **Russell Crowe**.

And that's the hopeful scenario. Some afflicted stars have gone so far as to stalk their fans, so obsessed are they by the allure of the "normal" life.

Case in point: one well-known actress was recently slapped with a restraining order after leaving more than 500 phone messages in a single week-end for one

Katy Bleeker, a 30-year-old supermarket cashier in Omaha, Neb.

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celebrity brief

Britney sings 'anthem' for girls

MUSIC Britney Spears says her new song, *Womanizer* — which debuted on Friday — is an empowering anthem for girls, People.com reports.

"It's basically saying, 'We know what you're up to. It's about guys cheating on girls,'" the singer told New York's Z100 radio station on Monday. "It's a girl anthem. That's why I like it."

The song is the first single from Spears's upcoming album, *Circus*, due for release on Dec. 2, her 27th birthday.

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Pam a man 'ruiner'

DATING Pamela Anderson would "ruin" a good boy if she ever dated one, female-first.co.uk reports.

The actress is always drawn to bad boys, and thinks she will end up growing old with her ex-husband Tommy Lee.

Anderson is living with Lee and their two sons Brandon, 12, and 10-year-old Dylan while her house is being renovated.

"Bad boys just keep following me around. What would I do with a good boy? Ruin him, probably," she says. "I think I'm stuck with Tommy."

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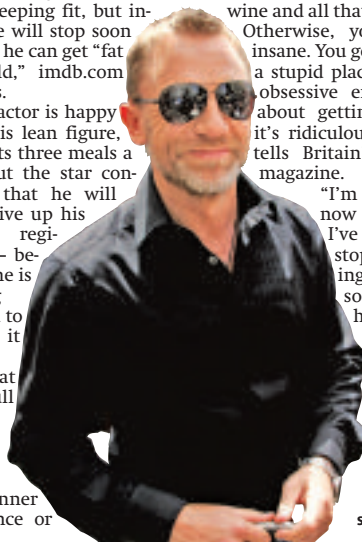
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Lazy days for Craig

LIFESTYLE James Bond star Daniel Craig is obsessed with keeping fit, but insists he will stop soon so that he can get "fat and old," imdb.com reports.

The actor is happy with his lean figure, and eats three meals a day. But the star confesses that he will soon give up his fitness regimen — because he is getting too old to keep it up.

"I eat a full breakfast, full lunch, full dinner and once or



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Osbourne got sex ed just like a rock star

GROWING UP Kelly Osbourne was given sex-education lessons while on tour with her rocker father Ozzy, because organizers handed out free condoms to everyone backstage, imdb.com reports.

The 23-year-old spent a lot of time on the road as a child, touring with her dad's band, Black Sabbath.

Osbourne admits that the rock 'n roll lifestyle she witnessed forced her mother, rock matriarch Sharon Osbourne, to tell her the facts of life at a young age.

"I was on tour with

my dad and at every single one of his shows, they hand out free condoms," she tells British magazine *New!*

"I was about seven or eight and I picked up a packet and was like, 'Mum, what's this?' She had to explain to me what they were. It was something my parents have never been shy about. They always told us what they think and that we should protect ourselves."

Osbourne has also revealed she is tested for sexually transmitted diseases four times a year, the Daily Mail reports.

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Fisher family adds girl

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Celebrity Buzz

Birthday bling

GIFTS Actor Liev Schreiber stunned his pregnant girlfriend Naomi Watts with a surprise party on Saturday to celebrate her 40th birthday, imdb.com reports.

Schreiber invited some of the couple's closest friends and family to the secret bash in Los Angeles, which took place a day before Watts's actual birthday on Sunday.

Schreiber also treated the actress to a brand new Mercedes-Benz Bluetec — an eco-friendly luxury sports utility vehicle that isn't due to go on sale until the end of October.

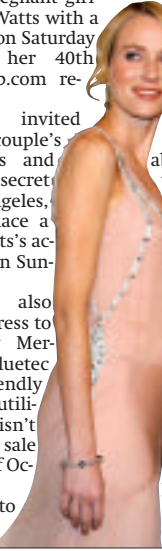
According to E! Online blog-

ger Marc Malkin, the gift was delivered to the party venue in time for the celebrations, complete with a big red bow on the hood.

Further details about the bash have yet to be revealed, but Schreiber's representative has confirmed the event took place, saying: "Party was attended by family and friends."

The pair are preparing for the birth of their second child, with Watts reportedly due in December. Schreiber and Watts are already parents to son Alexander, 14 months.

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Miller gets pricey apology

SETTLEMENT Actress Sienna Miller has accepted \$27,000 US in damages in an out-of-court settlement against the Daily Star over a paparazzi photo, BBC News Online reports.

The 26-year-old star took action over the picture taken in Los Angeles, which she claimed violated her privacy.

The paper has also printed an apology to Miller.

The Daily Star said it accepted that she was "extremely harassed and distressed by persistent pursuit and intimidating tactics" adopted by the paparazzi.

"We apologize to Sienna for publishing this photograph."

Miller's private life has been the subject of numerous newspaper stories since her failed romance with Jude Law, whom she starred with in *Alfie*.

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Bush is first lady of fitness

HEALTH Body image means a lot to Sophia Bush, who is careful about what she sees and projects, People.com reports.

"It's weird: In our business I'm a size 2 and considered curvy," the actress, 26, tells Health magazine in its October issue, which is on sale today.

"It's impor-

tant to remind young women, 'Listen, even skinny girls have cellulite, even Halle Berry has cellulite, and what you see in photos isn't totally real.'"

Staying fit, according to the star of the television show *One Tree Hill*, is "the reason I'm not a smoker or a big drinker — and it's why I'm getting more active."

"For me, fitness isn't about wanting to be rated with Jessica Alba on the Hot 100 list."

"I want to be able to hike the mountains of California with my grandkids."

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Hathaway needs a dating break

RELATIONSHIPS Actress Anne Hathaway is taking a break from dating in the wake of her breakup from her alleged cost artist ex, Raffaello Follieri, [MSN Entertainment](http://MSN.com) reports.

The New York Daily News claims she's decided to take a moratorium from men after spending the last four years with Follieri.

"She wants to make good decisions in her next relationship," says an insider. "She is working on figuring out what went wrong with Raffaello."

Hathaway has been hanging out with her family and catching up with friends since the split.

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Praise for Romijn

MOTHERHOOD Ugly Betty star Vanessa Williams has heaped praise on mom-to-be Rebecca Romijn, insisting she will "be a great mom and raise great kids," imdb.com reports.

Romijn is expecting twins with her husband Jerry O'Connell next year, and the pair "are going to be the most fun, zany parents in California," according to Williams.

Williams is sure her co-star will make a fantastic mother because of her sunny nature: "She's smart, she's talented, she's funny and she's well grounded."

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Marriage for Diaz? Umm ...

COMMITMENT Actress Cameron Diaz has ruled out marriage for the foreseeable future, according to her boyfriend Paul Sculfor, imdb.com reports.

Diaz has been dating the model since the summer, imdb.com reports. But Sculfor insists that though the relationship is going well, Diaz has told him she has no plans to settle down just yet.

"Yes, you know (we are in love). We are having fun. She has openly said she does not want marriage, so we're coasting," he tells

British magazine *New!*

Sculfor admits that there are no bad feelings between him and Diaz's ex-boyfriend, Justin Timberlake.

"Hell, no. I have met him — he is cool and a great guy. There is no friction," Sculfor adds.

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